

REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Decision of the Film and Literature Board of Review

Date of entry in Register: 31 January 1996
Name of applicant/court: The Film and Video Labelling Body Inc.
Applicant to the Labelling Body: Video Wholesalers Ltd
Title of Publication: D.P. Women
Other Known Titles: DP Women
Director: Not Stated
Producer: Mary Scho
Publisher: Not Applicable
Author: Not Applicable
Format: Video Recording VHS/PAL
Country of Origin: USA
Language: English

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Components of film originally examined:

Feature:	D.P. Women	Running time:	69.50
Trailers:	Safe Sex Notice	Running time:	0.42
	Heatwave Entertainment Presents Notice		0.06
	A Geisha's Secret		1.58
	Harry Horndog, The Series		3.04
	Vampirass		1.59
	The Anal Diary of Misty Rain		1.58
		Total Running time:	79.37

Excision/Alteration: No

Reasons(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The video recording uses gender and the physical characteristics of women as the means of degrading, dehumanising and demeaning these women. This is achieved through repeated shots that show close-ups of women's genital and anal areas, through the infrequency of shots showing women's whole bodies or faces (except in the act of servicing men) and through a complete absence of shots showing people doing anything other than having sex. These shots portray women as no more than the sum of their body parts, and as objects for male sexual gratification.

The Board is therefore of the view that the availability of this video recording entitled *D.P. Women* is likely to be injurious to the public good because of the extent and degree to which, and the manner in which, depicts sexual conduct of a degrading, dehumanising and demeaning nature; degrades, dehumanises and demeans women; represents women as inherently inferior to men by reason of their gender; and disseminates misleading information about sexual health. We therefore classify *D.P. Women* as objectionable.

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